

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 420

By Walker

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Sara G. Young, 2001  
Salutatorian of Rhea County High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sara G. Young is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2001 graduating class at Rhea County High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Sara has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, Ms. Young has earned an exemplary 99.2439 grade point average; she is a two-year member of the National Honor Society, and a four-year member of the Drama Club; she acted for three years, served as Head of Lighting for two years and was involved in Light Design for two years; and

WHEREAS, Sara has also been a member of the Mathematics Club; the Debate Club which selected her as "Most Improved"; First Priority which she served as Week Coordinator and Month Coordinator; the Bible Club, which she served as Encouragement Committee Chair and Food Committee Chair; and the Christian Warriors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Young's music activities include four years of membership in the Marching Band as Section Leader and Drum Major; and four years of service in the Concert Band, in which she was First Chair Player in the Concert Band, Soloist, and participated in the All-State East Senior Clinic, the East Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association Junior Clinic, and the Tennessee Tech All-Star Instrumental, Solo, and Ensemble (Division I). She also participated in the Jazz Band for two years, serving as a Soloist in the Flute Ensemble and in the Chorus; and

WHEREAS, Sara also served on the Prom committee for one year, attended the Governor's School for Prospective Teachers, attended the Roane State Academic Festival for two years, was a member of the Toss-Up Team for two years, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for one year, and was a Rhea County Junior Miss; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Young is a vital part of her church, having served in church ensembles for two years as Soloist, and having participated in church music for two years, church drama for three years and the sign language ministry for three years; she has participated in the church choir for six years, and has been a Soloist and Assistant Choir Director; and

WHEREAS, Sara also served her church as a member of the Student Leadership Team for two years, at Youth Work Retreat for six years, as a member of the Youth Work Team for two years, as the Children's Church Music Coordinator for one year, as a member of the Praise Team and the Puppet Team for one year, as a Vacation Bible School Leader and a Church Nursery worker for six years each; and

WHEREAS, Sara's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to attend Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee, and major in instrumental music education, with the goal of becoming an elementary school band director; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Young's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Young, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sara's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Rhea County High School Salutatorian, Sara G. Young, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.